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MANY DEAD IN ILLINOIS STRIKE WAR

DEATH LIST MAY EXCEED FORTY—OUTSIDERS WHO ATTEMPTED TO ASSIST THE WOUNDED MET WITH DRAWN GUNS

Herrin, June 22.—The death list in the disaster last night and day when 5,000 striking miners sacked the Lester Strip mine operated under guard of imported workers, may run past the mark, it was said tonight by those in touch with the situation, though thus far only twenty-two positively are known to be dead.

In the Herrin hospital are eight wounded men, only one a miner, and six of them are believed to be fatally injured. There were nine, one died.

About twenty imported workers missing.

Checking the death list has proved almost impossible. The lists all but three of them reported workers, so far as known, were found scattered over an area within several miles of the mine. Some were lynched, some were beaten when the mine was fired, others were beaten to death and a majority fell before the scores of bullets poured into them.

"Bloody (Williamson) County," called because of several riots, tonight was outwardly calm, but there was a noticeable undercurrent which kept everybody on edge, and wondering if further trouble might be expected.

The correspondent talked with scores of miners today and about half of them were certain that there would be no further disorder here was no attempt to reopen mines, while the other half said they were afraid some of the men might not be held back. Officially, the situation was reported tonight by county officials to be quiet.

Scenes of death today were very gruesome, as in a real war. Bodies in many limbs shot away, lying along the roadside or were strung from trees. Men wounded and dying were stretched out on roadsides in fields with none of the hundreds of passersby able to lend a helping hand. Attempts to assist the wounded in the early part of the day brought rebuffs from the strikers, backed in some cases by their own guns.

It is understood that there will be no attempt to reopen any of the mines until the strike is settled. Hundreds of men, women and children, some as young as four years, surged through the morgue today to view the bodies, which lay by side on the floor with no attempt to straighten them out. Most of them bore no identification. All were mangled.

WIGHTED FOOT BUT FREE MIND

Mrs. C. P. Townsend of Bennettsville is in the city to see her son, C. Townsend, Jr., who had an ankle broken in a fall from an electric light when he came in contact with live wire while doing some repair work about a week ago. Mr. Townsend is still at the hospital but is improving and will have a weight put on his foot today. He has installed a radio outfit in his room at the hospital much to the delight of other patients and the nurses, and says he is taking life easy.

N. T. A. PUTMAN IN TOWN

Mr. N. T. A. Putman of Due West returned to town Thursday. Mr. Putman is the race for re-election to the office of Representative and is the candidate announced in the Banner and so far. He was seen with his friends.

WANTS FACTS TOLD BEFORE CONGRESS

DEMANDS PROBE INTO OFFICE OF ALIEN PROPERTY CUSTODIAN—POINTS TO HUGE SUM SAID TO HAVE BEEN PAID "CONSPICUOUS PATRIOTS"

Washington, June 22.—Demand for a Congressional investigation of the office of alien property custodian was made in the House tonight by Representative Woodruff, Republican, Michigan, who charged that the aggregate value of the properties held by the custodian, as shown by his latest report, was "nearly a quarter of a billion dollars less than we might reasonably expect to find there."

Mr. Woodruff estimated that the earnings returned by the seized properties during the past four years amounted to \$100,000,000 which, added to the value of enemy property, would make a total of \$800,000,000 to be accounted for, as against \$575,000,000 given in Custodian Miller's report.

Only an impartial investigation, the Michigan Representative declared, would disclose how much "of this shrinkage is due to depreciation, thru maladministration, how much to sale of properties below their reasonable value, how much to practical gifts to officials, friends and favorites of the custodian's office."

Mr. Woodruff introduced a resolution for an investigation declaring that charges of maladministration, discrimination between alien enemies and American citizens whose property was seized, and payment of excessive fees to attorneys "have been so frequent as to create a condition which cannot be ignored without grave injury to the good name of our country."

"Examinations of the report recently submitted to Congress by Custodian Miller would show, said Mr. Woodruff, that five of the most conspicuous of the patriots, serving with the custodian department received but the insignificant sum of \$697,000 for their prodigious labors."

ENTERS HOME SECOND TIME

Sam Walker, Convict, Breaks Into R. R. Tolbert's Home Again.

Sam Walker, a negro tried in Asheville about a year ago and sentenced to the chain gang for breaking into the residence of R. R. Tolbert and stealing \$75.05 from his pants pocket, escaped from the Ellis Camp near Smith's Cross Roads Tuesday. Sheriff McLane was out with a posse searching for the negro Wednesday night and was being assisted by the Tolbert boys.

R. R. Tolbert is absent from home and his son, Walter Tolbert returned home about 1 o'clock, entered his father's bed-room and found Walker hiding behind the door. The Tolbert home is twelve miles from the Ellis camp and it is thought the negro broke in the second time in search of money to make his escape.

Walker was brought to the Asheville jail and will be returned to the chain gang to finish his sentence. At the expiration he will be tried a second time for breaking into the Tolbert home.

DEATH OF MRS. A. E. MORRIS

Mrs. A. E. Morris of Atlanta, Ga., died at Mount Airy Thursday, June 22, 1922, and was buried in Atlanta today. Mrs. Morris was 91 years old and was the daughter of M. O. McCaslan of this county. She is the mother of Rev. S. L. Morris of Atlanta and R. F. Morris of Texas and a cousin of Mrs. B. S. Barnwell and P. H. McCaslan of this city.

J. M. Gambrell has returned from Richmond, Va., where he attended the reunion of the Confederate veterans.

MARETT ELECTED ASSOCIATION HEAD

CHOSEN PRESIDENT OF COTTON SEED CRUSHERS—RUSSELL ACREE OF DARLINGTON SUCCEEDS W. B. WEST AS SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Asheville, N. C., June 22.—K. W. Marett of Westminster was chosen president of the South Carolina Cotton Seed Crushers' association before adjournment of the annual convention here today. Mr. Marett succeeds C. C. Fishburne of Columbia. Other officers were elected as follows: Albert Jordan of Hartsville, vice president, and Russell Acree of Darlington, secretary and treasurer. Mr. Acree succeeds W. B. West of Columbia, who resigned to become business manager of Coker college, Hartsville. Asheville may again be selected as the place of meeting for 1923. The association is made up of representatives of 75 cottonseed oil mills in South Carolina.

Featuring today's session at the convention was the address of A. F. Lever, former representative and former member of the farm loan board and now president of the First Carolina Joint Stock Land Bank of Columbia. D. W. Daniel, professor of English at Clemson college, was also heard at this morning's session.

The 17th annual convention of the association was opened yesterday morning with C. C. Fishburne of Columbia, president of the association, presiding. Mayor Gallatin Roberts welcomed the South Carolinians to Asheville, urging them to make the city their permanent meeting place. K. W. Marett of Westminster, the vice president and now the president of the association, responded to the address of welcome. President Fishburne made his annual report, after which an address by A. C. Kahn, president of the Interstate Cotton Seed Crushers' association, on "Trade Associations," was heard. Bright Williamson of Darlington was unable to be present and his interesting paper on "Experiments With the Close Spacing of Cotton" was read to the convention.

LEAVE FOR CAMP JOCASSEE.

Misses Gladys and Mildred Wilson left today for Camp Jocassee near Seneca. Miss Gladys was in charge of twenty members of the Sunshine Club from the Asheville Mill. They will be joined in Whitmire by Miss Mary Grace Wilson with twenty girls from the Whitmire club and will spend about ten days at this camp.

FIELD MARSHAL WILSON KILLED

JUST OUTSIDE OF HIS HOME AFTER MAKING SPEECH TODAY. WAS MILITARY ADVISER TO ULSTER GOVERNMENT SINCE LAST FEBRUARY.

London, June 22.—Field Marshal Sir Henry Hughes Wilson was shot and killed outside his home on Eton Square, London, this afternoon.

Two assailants of the field marshal were arrested.

The field marshal delivered a speech at the Liverpool street station in the city this morning in connection with the unveiling of a war memorial. Apparently he had just returned home when the tragedy occurred.

A few months ago Field Marshal Wilson accepted an appointment as military adviser to the Ulster government and made frequent visits to Ulster. He spent most of his time in London, however, attending the house of commons.

The Central News account of the tragedy says Field Marshal Wilson was stepping from his automobile a few minutes after 3 o'clock this afternoon when two men suddenly appeared and opened fire upon him with revolvers. He was struck by three shots, the account adds, and died almost immediately.

Field Marshal Sir Henry Hughes Wilson was formerly chief of the imperial general staff of the British army. He retired from this post early in the present year and stood for the imperial parliament as Unionist candidate for North Down, Ireland. He was elected member for this Ulster district on Feb. 21 and shortly afterwards was appointed by Premier Craig as Ulster's prime agent for the restoration of order.

The field marshal went to Belfast from England early in March with plans for restoring order which he submitted to the premier.

Field Marshal Wilson's career in the great war was one of high distinction.

GEORGIA SHERIFF EXPECTED

Willie Sims, a negro, is held in the county jail for the authorities of Washington, Ga., where he is wanted on a charge of disposing of goods under mortgage. Sheriff G. M. Walton, of Washington, is expected here today to take him back to Georgia.

CHINESE TROOPS SLAY THOUSANDS

PART OF NORTHERN FORCES IN MUTINY—REBELLIOUS SOLDIERS REPORTED MARCHING BACK NORTHWARD FROM KIANGFU AFTER SETTING FIRES

Shanghai, June 22.—Between 10,000 and 15,000 northern forces sent against Sun Yat Sen's army in Kiangsi, burned portions of Kiangfu and other nearby cities and killed thousands of the residents, according to unconfirmed but apparently authoritative reports from various sources at Hankow and Nanchang. The troops were under command of Gen. Tsai Chen Hsun, military commander of Peking.

The rebellious soldiers are reported marching back northward and nearing Changshu Ki, a city about 100 miles north of Kiangfu and 50 miles north of Nanchang.

A dispatch from Hankow says the British gunboat Cockchafer is speeding up the Kan river toward Nanchang to bring out the foreign residents. The American gunboat Monocacy is coaling at Kiukiang and will proceed to Nanchang as soon as possible. The American gunboats Isabel and Suiros and the British gunboats Bee and Foxglove are held in readiness at Kiukiang to rush to the disturbed area if necessary to protect nationals.

The situation at Canton is quiet but ominous. Messages from adherents of Sun Yat Sen's southern government at Canton and Hong Kong said Sun has ordered his main force in Kiangsi to abandon the expedition against the north and return to Canton. Sun, Wu Ting Fang and other leaders of the Canton government are reported to be still aboard Chinese warships in the neighborhood of Canton awaiting the return of the Kiangsi army. If Sun persists in his determination to regain control of Canton from Chen Chiung Ming, who drove him out last week, the return of these troops may precipitate serious fighting for possession of the city. The report that Sun's army is to return to Canton was given color tonight by reports from Hankow and Kiangsi cities of Kiukiang and Nanchang indicating fighting in Kiangsi province between the northern and southern troops had ceased.

TRUSTEES TO ACT AS MANAGERS OF ELECTION

At the election to be held next Tuesday, the 27th, for the purpose of voting on the question of an additional two mills school tax, the managers will be composed of school trustees as required by law. Messrs J. D. Kerr, Robert S. Link and E. R. Thomson will act as managers, and only property holders who paid their taxes before the first day of January are eligible to vote.

COTTON MARKET

The best price for cotton on the local market today was 23 cents. Futures closed 70 points off.

July	21.69
Oct.	21.68
Dec.	21.51
Jan.	21.40
Future market closed Thursday:	
July	22.40
Oct.	22.48
Dec.	22.19
Jan.	22.08

ROAD CONTRACT LET

The contract to top soil the 14 miles of road from McCormick by way of Sandover, Bellevue, and Bold Branch to the Asheville county line at Clatworthy's Cross Roads has been let to B. Jones Construction Company for \$23,923.02. Work will begin not later than July 3, contract to be finished in 180 days.

CARR REELECTED TO LEAD VETERANS

NEXT REUNION HELD AT NEW ORLEANS—MEETING AT RICHMOND WILL BE ADJOURNED AT END OF TODAY'S PROGRAM

Richmond, Va., June 22.—The reelection of Gen. Julian S. Carr of Durham, N. C., as commander-in-chief and the selection of New Orleans as the reunion city in April, 1923, featured the closing session here today of the 32nd annual reunion of the United Confederate Veterans.

General Carr's election followed a hot debate resulting from the nomination of Gen. J. A. Thomas of Georgia, and A. J. Twigg of Augusta. As soon as General Thomas was nominated, Gen. W. M. Wroten of Mississippi announced that the entire Mississippi delegation supported General Thomas. A member of the Mississippi delegation jumped to his feet and exclaimed that this was untrue, that the delegation favored General Carr. An argument between the dissenter and General Wroten ensued, in which heated words were indulged in.

When order from the confusion had been restored, General Thomas withdrew his name in the interest of harmony and good feeling, whereupon General Carr was elected by acclamation.

Other officers named were: Gen. J. A. Thomas, commander of the Army of Tennessee; Lieut. Gen. C. D. Howry, Washington, D. C., commander of the Army of Northern Virginia; Lieut. Gen. E. W. Kirkpatrick of Texas, commander of the trans-Mississippi department.

Staff officers and other officials of the veteran organization will be appointed by the commanders at a later date, it was announced.

At the closing session of the Sons of Confederate Veterans late today, W. McDonald Lee of Irvington, Va., was elected commander-in-chief. He was named without opposition.

At the veterans' sessions late today a resolution was adopted calling upon the wealthy members of the United Confederate Veterans to lend \$30,000 without interest to the association which is erecting the statue of Jefferson Davis at Fairview, Ky.. The resolution followed a plea by Col. W. D. Haldeman of Louisville, Ky., who earlier in the day had been prominently mentioned as a candidate for commander-in-chief. Colonel Haldeman, however, in a caucus with friends, declined to enter the race, declaring that he preferred giving his entire time to the completion of the Davis monument.

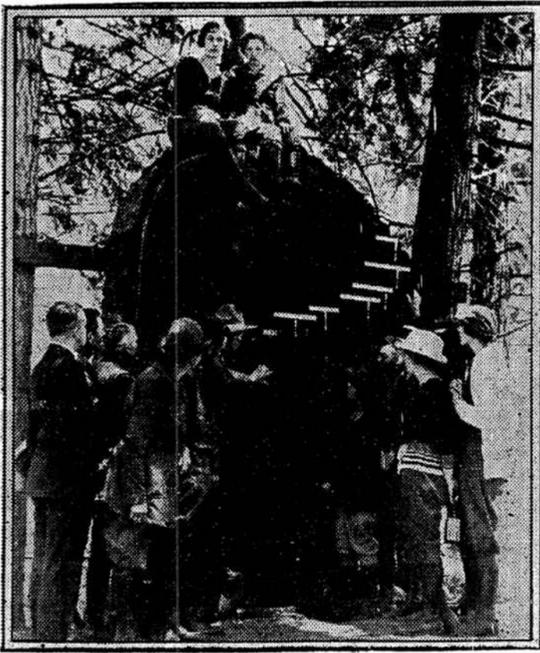
SCHEDULE OF THE CAROLINA BASEBALL LEAGUE

The following schedule for the Carolina Baseball League has been adopted:

June 26-27	Greenwood at Anderson. Asheville at Laurens.
June 29-30	Anderson at Greenwood. Laurens at Asheville.
July 3	Asheville at Anderson. Greenwood at Laurens.
July 4	Anderson at Asheville. (Morning game.) Greenwood at Laurens. (Morning game.)
July 4	Asheville at Anderson. (Afternoon game.) Laurens at Greenwood. (Afternoon game.)
July 6-7	Anderson at Laurens. Asheville at Greenwood.
July 10-11	Anderson at Laurens. Greenwood at Asheville.

The balance of the schedule will be announced later.

Mrs. S. M. Grant and children of Lawrenceville, Ga., are expected in Asheville Saturday to visit Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Grant.



HOW BIG IS A TREE?

Naturalist, Ansel F. Hall, of Yosemite National Park, has prepared this section of a giant Sequoia, which was felled by a storm in 1919, to show visitors how old trees are. This tree, which is fourteen feet in diameter at the base, is 996 years old, a youngster, as compared to 4000 years, the estimated age of the Grizzly Giant, the largest tree in Yosemite. The space between the Naturalist's forefinger and thumb measures the span of a human long life to compare with the span of the tree's life.